Radiography— Bridge (RAD-B) Associate Degree Program



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Pima Medical Institute's Radiography – Bridge degree program is designed for limited-scope radiologic professionals who are ready to continue their education and transition into a full-scope radiologic technologist by earning their American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) certification. This course, delivered online, features an in-person clinical externship during the student's last semester.

Graduates of this program receive an Associate of Applied Science Degree and are qualified to apply to take the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) examination for certification.

* This radiography program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT).

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For more information about the Radiography - Bridge program, including course calendar, program procedures and course details, please refer to the <u>Prospective Student Handbook</u> located on the website.

Student Outcomes

Program Focuses

- Learn the necessary skills to accurately position patients, ensuring the production of a quality diagnostic image.
- Gain knowledge of anatomy, examination techniques, equipment protocols, radiation safety, and basic patient care.
- Apply critical thinking skills toward effective problem solving.
- Apply effective communication skills in the health care environment.

Clinical Externship

During your final semester, you will participate in a clinical externship, a chance to be mentored by full-time professionals and interact with real patients. In addition to real-world experience, clinical externships offer students resume-worthy opportunities, letters of recommendation from supervisors and sometimes job placement directly after graduation.

* Please refer to the Prospective Student Handbook for more detailed information about the clinical externship component.

Program Curriculum

Course	Credits
Semester I (16 Weeks)	
Communications	3.0
Interpersonal Relations	2.0
Math Applications	3.0
Anatomy and Physiology I	4.0
Semester II (16 Weeks)	
Positioning I	3.0
Anatomy and Physiology II	4.0
Positioning II	3.0
Medical Law & Ethics	2.0
Semester III (16 Weeks)	
Positioning III	3.0
Methods of Patient Care	3.0
Physics	3.0
Advanced Radiographic Imaging and Special Procedures	3.0
Semester IV (16 Weeks)	
Principles of Exposure	3.0
Pathology	3.0
Radiography II	3.0
Radiographic Biology	3.0
Semester V (16 Weeks)	
Radiography III	6.0
Clinical Externship IV	5.5
Transfer of Credit Requirement (1 medical terminology, 34.5 clinical experience credits)	₎ 35.5
Semesters I - V Totals	59.5
Program Total with Block Transfer	95.0

Since we opened our doors in Tucson, Ariz. back in 1972, Pima Medical has been focused on our mission to improve the quality of people's lives by providing the best value in medical career education. 50 years later, we remain focused on a student-centered approach to education. Our experienced faculty and staff work to provide for our students, creating a qualified generation of health care employees who make immediate impact in the communities they serve.

As a Pima Medical student, you will have access to:



Life as an Online Student

Pima Medical's Radiography - Bridge program is composed exclusively of online classes, allowing you the flexibility to balance your personal and professional commitments while completing your education.

During your time as an online student, you will:

- Receive personalized attention from expert faculty
- Interact with peers and faculty from all over the country in a collaborative format
- Experience learning with a multimedia approach, including videos, podcasts, knowledge checks, instructor experience and artificial intelligence
- Have the flexibility to complete your coursework when convenient, while also relying on a logical course structure with due dates
- Have access to the Pima Medical community when you need assistance



"I am a Staff Sergeant in the United States Army. My Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) is 68P, a Radiologic Specialist. While deployed in Afghanistan, I did research on the internet and found Pima Medical Institute.

My experience was AMAZING! I am so much more knowledgeable than I ever was before and often find myself sharing what I learned with others. My clinical experience gave me what I needed to successfully complete my boards. Now, endless possibilities are in my future. Pima really changed my life, and I am very grateful for the opportunity I was given."

> -Yolander Vines, Radiography – Bridge graduate

Admissions Requirements

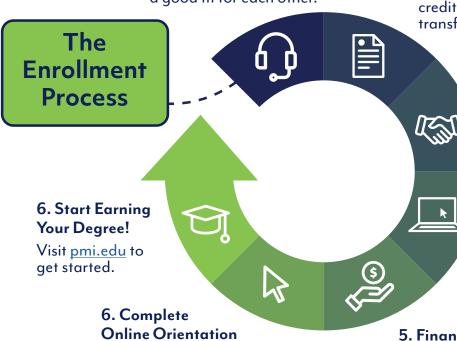
Applicants to this degree program must meet the following requirements:

- 1) Document graduation from one of the following:
- A United States military radiography program
- An approved or licensed limited-scope radiography program
- A JRCERT-accredited radiography program
- A foreign program in radiography

- 2) Submit official transcripts documenting grades of C or better. Course work must include the following:
- Radiographic positioning, exposure/techniques, physics, protection and medical terminology
- Documentation of a minimum of 1,599 hours of clinical experience in radiography gained through education and/or employment
- Experience gained through employment that is verified by an ARRTregistered radiologic technologist, supervising physician or another suitable representative
- Documentation verified by a supervisor from a foreign entity, which will be considered on an individual basis
- Current professional credentials for the person(s) verifying the employment experience(s) must be included
- All candidates must document a satisfactory variety of exams in their clinical background

1. Speak With Our Admissions Team

We'll help you determine if our program and your career goals are a good fit for each other.



We'll provide you with need-to-know information and prepare you to start your courses successfully.

2. Review Transcripts

We'll help check whether any credits from prior education transfer into this program.

3. Meet With Us

The interview process will include a 1:1 virtual meeting with your program director.

4. Enroll

We'll walk you through the application submission step by step so you feel confident in knowing what to expect.

5. Financial Guidance

We'll put you in touch with our Financial Aid Officers to help determine the best funding options for you.